

WAR NEWS TOLD BY
OFFICIAL REPORTSBritish Take 6 Officers, 145
Men in Battle of
Pozières.

BERLIN ADMITS DEFEAT

Withdraw to Ridge of Car-
pathians Under Strong
Russian Drive.London, July 24.—The British official
statement from headquarters in France
issued to-night reads:The fighting has continued in the
village of Pozières, where the number
of prisoners taken by the Aus-
tralian troops has reached a total of
six officers and 145 of other ranks.In other parts of the battle front
there has been considerable artillery
activity on both sides.The British War Office afternoon
statement follows:Apart from continuous heavy shell-
ing by both sides during the night
comparative calm followed the severe
fighting of yesterday.Yesterday, between High wood and
Guillemont, repeated counter attacks
by the enemy failed for him no ad-
vantage, and very heavy casualties
were inflicted by our artillery and
machine gun fire.We gained a ridge ground near High
wood and in the direction of Guil-
lemont. In the neighborhood of Pozières
we secured important advantages in
spite of the stubborn defense, and a
large portion of the village is now in
our hands. Here we have captured
two guns and sixty more prisoners.

Aero Pilot Gets New Fame.

PARIS, July 24.—The official commu-
nication issued by the War Office to-
night reads:South of the Somme a minor opera-
tion enabled us to capture this morn-
ing an enemy battery below the vil-
lage of Estrées. Since July 20 we
have taken on the Somme front more
than sixty German machine guns.On the right bank of the Meuse,
after a night of fighting, our in-
fantry occupied a redoubt immedi-
ately west of the Thiaumont work,
taking five machine guns and about
fourty prisoners.Calm prevailed on the rest of the
front. One of our pilots, Sub-Lieut.
de Lorne, already cited six times in
the order of the day, became the
victim of a series of bombardments
carried out by him on stations held by
the enemy.

800 Prisoners in Ten Days.

The text of the French afternoon
statement follows:On the Somme front the night was
calm. The weather continues bad.
South of the Somme, enemy machine
guns penetrated enemy trenches
near Vailly, and we brought back
prisoners.On the right bank of the Meuse
last night in the course of a small
action of a detail surrounding Chapelle
Sainte Fine we captured thirty
prisoners. We say in advance that the
information the total number of pris-
oners taken by us in the last ten days
in this sector amounts to 800.During the night an enemy aviator
dropped bombs on Lunéville. One per-
son was wounded. Sub-Lieut. Chaput
brought down yesterday his eighth
enemy plane. A second German
machine gun was captured near Vaux.
On the night of July 22-23 and
yesterday, our aeroplanes dropped
bombs on the railway station at Conflans, forty on
the barracks near Vigneulles and
fifty on the aerodrome at Dieuse.

Hurried From Other Fronts.

BERLIN, July 24 (by wireless to Say-
ville).—To-day's official statement by
the German army headquarters concern-
ing the western front is as follows:It is now evident that the British
attack on the Somme yesterday against
the front from Thiaumont to Guillemont
was made by parts of eleven British
divisions, several of which were hur-
ried from other fronts. The only ad-
vantage gained by the enemy on the
whole line is that he entered some
houses in Pozières, for which he
paid an extraordinarily heavy loss.The enemy was defeated at Longueval
by a powerful counter attack by
the Brandenburg Grenadiers of Dou-
aumont fame.South of the Somme small French
enterprises failed under the German
fire near Soyecourt and west of Ver-
mandoville.There has been only a temporary de-
crease in the artillery engagement.
Since July 15 up to the present
booby taken by us comprises sixty-
eight machine guns.On the right bank of the Meuse
(Verdun sector) the artillery activity
has been rather quiet, but our fire
has assumed great intensity. The Ger-
mans have not been active.The statement dealing with operations
on the eastern front is as follows:On the northern section of the front
and with Gen. Count von Bothmer's
army there have been only patrol en-
gagements.Northwest of Berestchik strong at-
tacks by the Russians were completely
repulsed.

Austrians Draw Back.

BERLIN, July 24 (by wireless to Say-
ville).—The following statement is
issued by the Austrian War Office under
date of July 23:Russian front.—South of Tatarov,
under the threat of a strong
Russian advance, we withdrew our
troops fighting on the Magura toward
the main ridge of the Carpathians.Italian front.—After some days of
quiet there was fighting yesterday
near the village of Salsola and at Pa-
neveggio. The Italians were repulsed.

Germans Dislodged at Lissa.

Petrograd, July 24 (via London).—
On the Russian front the Germans have
been dislodged from another position
along the River Lissa, says to-day's of-
ficial statement, as follows:On the Lissa yesterday we dislodged
the Germans from the village of
Gallitshane and took some prisoners
and one machine gun. On July 21,
near the village of Kolomoff, on the
Lissa, an Austrian company 193 strong
surrendered to our troops.Caucasus front.—The offensive of our
Caucasus army is proceeding suc-
cessfully. In the direction of Moult
throughout the day of July 22, su-
periorly superior Turkish forces at-
tacked a detachment of our troops at
an outflanking movement, but our fire
and counter attacks forced the enemy
to abandon the offensive.

The official statement from general

headquarters issued to-night re ad:

Western (Russian) front.—There is
nothing of importance.Caucasus front.—On the Erzingan
route, in the Zaret Tapast district,
counter attacks by two Turkish
cavalry regiments have occupied the
heights of Naglik. Our advance con-
tinues.East of the Erzingan route we cap-
tured an enemy line on the Duzlu
Darasi River. After having repulsed
several Turkish attacks our cavalry
reached the line of Zor-Tapast-
Merik.

Turks Push Russians Back.

CONSTANTINOPLE, via London, July 24.
—A further retreat of Russian forces in
Persia under Turkish pressure is re-
ported in to-day's official War Office
statement, which says:In Persia Russian forces which fled
in disorder toward the frontiers
offered resistance thirty kilometers east
of Van. When the Turkish forces, un-
able to offer battle, was obliged to
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Italy Gets Progress.

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very active.In the Asiatic region our attacks to
gain possession of Monte Cimont are
making good progress. Yesterday we
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